



## Thru The Peepsight

G. I. Summary  
Of World News  
By SGT. O. J. REMINGTON

As a silence after a terrific din seems to be more noisy than the noise itself—so seems the emptiness caused by the lack of traffic these days.

Already dwindling rapidly due to increased severity of rationing of gasoline and difficulty in securing new tires, the din and roar of traffic was practically a shadow of its former self anyway.

But with the ban on motor traffic for any sort of pleasure purposes suddenly clamped down on the seaboard states even the shadow has very little substance any longer.

The American motorist took the new regulations with the customary good nature with which he faced previous curtailments in his driving. But that isn't actually news, of course. It WOULD have been news if he hadn't taken it that way, for we're hardening ourselves all along the line and are prepared to face a great many worse things.

Implications contained in the new regulations are wide, however, and the future of many businesses depending upon traffic must be before a darker and gloomier. That Americans can and will take it—and anything else they have to take—however, is shown by the way that public curtailed driving.

### DANGEROUS OPTIMISM

A TREND of thought that might be dangerous to the United States is the "unfounded optimism" which appears to be sweeping like a wave through the national thinking. The general trend of the thought is that there is a lot of favorable news, and there—Russian advances, the Allied offensives in Africa and elsewhere, the new offensives of American arms—prerogative an early and victorious conclusion to the war. In fact, there appeared some signs that people were beginning to shrug their shoulders and say "Why push things any longer? Why push our heads off now? Why service and put any more effort behind the war? It's all over but the shouting."

So dangerous is such a trend of thought that official quarters in Washington took cognizance of it and went so far as to issue statements warning against such ideas.

General (senior of the statement: That a victory here and there does not make a successful campaign, let alone a war. The German is strong, entrenched and that it will take even more efforts on the part of all of us to bring it to a successful conclusion. And even when that is done, we still have the terrific task ahead of us of bringing Japan to heel.

That official Washington is serious about all of this is shown, too, by announcement that the Treasury Department will start a new rationing campaign, which Secretary Morgenthau figures will begin about April. The Treasury, incidentally, has just completed the "greater money-raising triumph in history," to quote George Cullen. Associated Press writer in a recent story.

The treasury sold \$50,000,000 and actually collected \$12,000,000,000. Nearest approach was the fourth Liberty Loan drive of last year when \$6,000,000,000 was subscribed. Secretary Morgenthau did not get a new goal for the contemplated new campaign.

### SOVIETS SMASH FORWARD

SMASHING new successes continue to be reported by the Russian Red Army, as it pushed ahead toward the Rostov sector. Germany finally admitted during the last week that her armies were being badly mauled by the Russians.

American planes are smashing away at Tunis, although the land offensive there has been stalled. British planes kept up a steady stream of attacks on German manufacturing towns.

Although Nazi ships sank fewer American ships in December than in previous months, the Japanese are making according to OWI Director Elmer Davis, is still very serious. Reports also indicate, he said, that the Japanese are making a large armada near the Solomons, presumably indicating another major drive on the islands. Several Japanese destroyers were reported to be headed toward the island.

A United States Fifth Army, to be commanded by Lt. General Mark Wayne Clark, now is being



**COMING IN FOR A TWO-POINT LANDING** are members of the "feathered division of the signal corps—carrier pigeons—that today are playing a vital part in the war effort. Sometimes the equipment for faster means of army communications such as wireless, typified by the slender tower of steel in the background, cannot be used in battle. It is then that the carefully-trained, faithful carrier pigeons, shown in training at Fort Benning, come into service as winged couriers, carrying messages that often mean the difference between life and death for American doughboys. (Signal lab. photo by Kortmeier.)

## Carrier Pigeons Trained For War On Reservation

**16-Man Staff of Expert Fanciers Maintains Thousand-Bird Loft**

The bird of peace is being turned into a war-bird at Fort Benning these days, and a mighty important one, too.

The bird, of course, is the dove, or pigeon, which under new set-up whereby civilian fanciers are turning over their highly trained message-carriers to the Army, is assuming increased importance as a bird of war.

Hundreds of American fanciers and trainers have responded to the new appeal and have begun to send their birds to the Army. The new breeding lofts at Fort Benning will be one of three main breeding grounds, the other two being located at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., and Fort Sam Houston, Tex. Combat training units are established at Camp Crowder, Camp Claiborne, La., and Fort Meade, Md.

At Fort Benning, the pigeon loft soon will have 1,000 birds, which will be used for breeding purposes and a new "induction and training" center for the birds is being established.

After a period of initial training and "indoctrination" into Army methods, the young birds will be shipped out to combat units all over the country for completion of their training. They will be used aboard ships at sea, in the air, and with paratroopers.

The pigeon loft at Fort Benning has been in operation for about 10 years, starting with one man in charge of 25 birds. Today Lt. Arthur M. Lehman, formerly of Columbus, O., who had a hobby of raising and training pigeons in civilian life, is in charge of the enlarged loft and is enlarging the program, assisted by Sgt. Lester Bolander, Baltimore, whose family has been raising pigeons for three generations. His grandfather brought over a strain of famous racing birds from Europe and his father carried on the work, crossing strains and building up new ones until the family today is one of the best known in the pigeon breeding world.

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Today they have been credited with saving lives of many English pilots shot down in the English Channel. They were used to carry back to England messages from the Dieppe Raid, and are in constant use in all of the theaters.

## 2 Crack Shots Get 'Possible' On 1000' Range

A new record was established by members of the 10th Company, First Student Training Regiment when two members emerged with "possible" in record shooting on the London 37MM. 1000 inch range.

They are Candidates Freed and McKinley who each chalked up scores of 200, believed to be the first time in the history of the Infantry School that this has been done by two members of a class.

The class, whose company commander is Capt. Merton Tice, also produced 54 experts for an average of 27.3 per cent, while 21.6 per cent finished as first class gunners and 23.7 per cent were classified as second class gunners.

## New Unit Has Experienced Commanders

**Colonels McKee, Long Are Familiar, Benning Figures**

Col. Richard G. McKee, commanding officer, and Lt. Col. Thomas F. Long, executive officer, who have been named to posts in the 30th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning, have had long and varied Army careers.

Colonel McKee, formerly executive officer of the School Troops Brigade for the past few years has been a familiar figure at the Infantry School since 1920.

After graduating from West Point in 1918, Colonel McKee served in France, Germany and Poland until 1922. Returning to the United States, he went to the 5th Infantry and then to the R. O. T. C. at the University of California.

In 1929 he attended the "C" course at the Infantry School.

From 1931 to 1935, Colonel McKee was the 7th Infantry in Vancouver, B. C. From 1935 to 1938, he served in Hawaii, returning to study at the Leavenworth Command and General Staff School.

In 1939 Colonel McKee joined the staff of The Infantry School as a tactics instructor. In 1940 he became operations officer for the School, serving during the period of the institution's largest expansion. Colonel McKee became executive officer of the School Troops Brigade in 1942, serving in that position until his present assignment as commanding officer of the 30th.

Lt. Col. Long, until recently was assigned with the 124th Infantry, Col. Long, a native of Florida, has been a national guardsman for many years, starting his service in 1920, and going (See Col. McKee, Page 7)

## Soldiers Advised To Eat On Post

The OPA has advised Fort Benning officers and men to eat on the post if they possibly can as a means of aiding in gasoline conservation, local rationing officials announced this week.

While soldiers are still entitled to use public transportation facilities to come to town and eat, it would be considered a violation of the OPA code for soldiers to drive to town unless they had no other arrangements to eat and ordinarily visited a certain restaurant regularly for meals.

The ruling that soldiers should drive to downtown restaurants until a strict personal necessity came after one local restaurant owner wired the OPA in Atlanta for clarification of the policy.

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## 'City' Of Tents Houses Troops At Rifle Range

**Tigers Make Move To Conserve Gas, Rubber, and Oil**

In scarcely more than two days a complete "tent city" has sprung up at the 10th Armored's new Carmouch Rifle Range.

Built by the 55th Engineers, the "city" will enable Division units to stay overnight at the range, thereby saving a great deal of time and precious gas and rubber that would be used up if organizations had to travel back and forth. The area, which consists of 250 pyramidal tents, can house approximately 1,300 men. An entire battalion can use the camp at one time and facilities are so set up as to enable commanding officers to run their organizations just as smoothly as they do back at Sand Hill. A telephone system from the CP to Sand Hill exchange has been installed.

The tents, which are lined up to form company streets, are framed with wood. Every tent is equipped with a Sibley stove and each has clothes racks to help keep the G. I. clothes in order.

**FULL FACILITIES**  
Each company has a kitchen and supply tent. All kitchen tents are set up with a sink and wooden floors. Special canopies have been erected for each kitchen tent which will come in mighty handy when chow has to be dishied out during a rainstorm.

Extensive shower facilities have been set up with hot water running from special shower unit. A permanent water plant has been set up.

A hospital tent with cots and special facilities to enable doctors to work under excellent conditions has been built.

To help while away the evening hours a public address system has been installed and the Engineers, who recently were at the range for eight days, spent their nights listening to their favorite music and every recording. There's also a rolling PX on hand and movies are easily made available.

## Motorcycles Replace Cars

**5 Vehicles Assigned To Post Headquarters**

First of a fleet of five motorcycles will be attached to Post Headquarters to replace staff automobiles in order to effect greater saving in vitally necessary gasoline, oil and tires, now are in operation, it was announced today by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general.

General Fulton himself inaugurated the new plan by taking an official ride in the first of the motorcycles, equipped with sidecars, to be placed in operation. Officers at Post Headquarters will use the machines for many occasions demanding quick transportation, reserving use of the reduced number of automobiles kept in service for times when motorcycles are not adequate.

The move will save hundreds of gallons of gasoline each year, it is estimated, and still will allow quick efficient transportation on official business where only one man is to be traveling. Thus the motorcycles, using less gasoline, can supply transportation on necessary business and still save a great deal of gasoline.

This action is in line with a campaign on the post to conserve vitally important electric power (Continued on Page 7)

## Pool-The-Ride Plan Sets Pace For Nation

**An Editorial**

**Give Them Butter and Guns—We'll Take What's Left**

In war, as in civilized peacetime, it's the little things that count.

Butter, for instance, has been mighty scarce of late in the mess halls at Benning. Sure, we've had plenty of jam and marmalade. We've subsisted without butter on mannevers several times. But we've spent much time wondering just what caused the scarcity of butter now. And we didn't find a suitable answer.

Just last night we found the explanation. And it's certainly a suitable reason: all of the available supplies of butter are being shipped to troops overseas, according to an announcement by Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply at Fort Benning.

That's reason enough for us not to expect butter at every meal. One of these days we'll all be in the fight overseas. And, after a rough day crawling through the dank jungles of New Guinea, we'll be mighty happy if we can spice up our rations with a luxury such as butter—which, perhaps, the boys at home have forsaken for us.

We venture to say that the whole gang at Benning feels the same way: give us oleomargarine or jam or just plain bread. But make sure the boys in the fight now get "first" and "seconds" on everything . . . and there'll not be another grumble from us.

For we know these little details count in battle. We're in this fight that one day we'll have all the gas we want—five new tires on the car—and all the luxuries that are scarce now.

We're glad to give up butter, for one thing, and anything else the boys "over there" may need . . . and WE won't complain once!

## Poker-faced Gremlins Pester Paratroopers

**3 Straight Flushes Flash Forth In Game**

Some of the guys in Headquarters Company of the First Parachute Training Regiment are wondering if possibly there could be a family of gremlins in the outfit. And they have just cause for wonder!

Sunday afternoon Corporal Fay, Corporal Wood, and the Great Samuel (B. D.) Newlin and Tackett the Terrible were enjoying a game of poker. Corporals Messick and Rawlinson were hitting. And let it be noted here that deuces were wild.

After about 30 minutes of play, a new deck was called for. After the hand was dealt, Woodie immediately raised, and the raise was immediately re-raised. This went the round of the table. After the draw, the opening bet was raised, re-raised and re-raised, all the way around. Each man began looking at the man next to him with an expression of "Raise me, Sucker, I can use the dough."

After all the betting was done, one of the guys laid down his hand and said, "Well, beat that, Boys." He had the 4, 5, 2, 7 and 8 of clubs. The next guy said, "Hell, that's no good." He laid down 6, 2, 2, 2, 10 and 10 of diamonds. The next guy said, "Whoa, wait a minute." He laid down the 8, 2, 10, Jack and Queen of Spades.

To make a long story short, every one had a straight flush. There were no less than eight deuces found in the deck. No one would admit putting them there. The kibitzers weren't in position to have placed them in the deck. The argument that resulted lasted long into the night.

If any amateur detectives care to take this case, the principals will pay a handsome fee for the apprehension of the culprit. And, if the R. A. F. is missing any of its gremlins, will it kindly send for same.

## USO Director To Go Abroad

**H. J. Sims Served Post 3 Years**

Overseas duty will take H. J. Sims, director of the USO Army and Navy YMCA in Columbus, when he leaves to give American soldiers the type of recreational facilities he has been providing for the men of Fort Benning during the past three years.

The Army and Navy "Y" was the first of the clubs to be turned over for the exclusive use of the Armed Forces in this area. In 1939 a unit was organized on the post under the direction of Mr. Sims, but it was found that it would serve more soldiers in a central location. The organization then moved to the building it now occupies in Columbus.

This club has been renovated a great many times as the needs of the men grew. Recently the club was done over and expanded for the fourth time.

**COLORFUL CAREER**  
Before coming to Columbus, Mr. Sims had a varied and unusual term of service with the Young Men's Christian Association.

In 1912, he was sent to Brazil as athletic director. He remained there until after World War I broke out. When he finally was able to get back to the States, he enlisted as a flight cadet. But before he could start his training, he was sent overseas to organize a group of mobile units for the Portuguese Republic, connected with the B. E. F.

After all was quiet in Europe, Mr. Sims was sent back to South America. There he remained during the Brazilian Revolution of 1930.

Acceptance of a foreign post was made last week by T. A. Rymer, of New York, member of the national council of the YMCA.

At a meeting of the Committee of Management, Chairman J. Dupont Kirven voiced the sentiments of the men of the Columbus club and the soldiers of Fort Benning. "Mr. Sims has done a grand job."

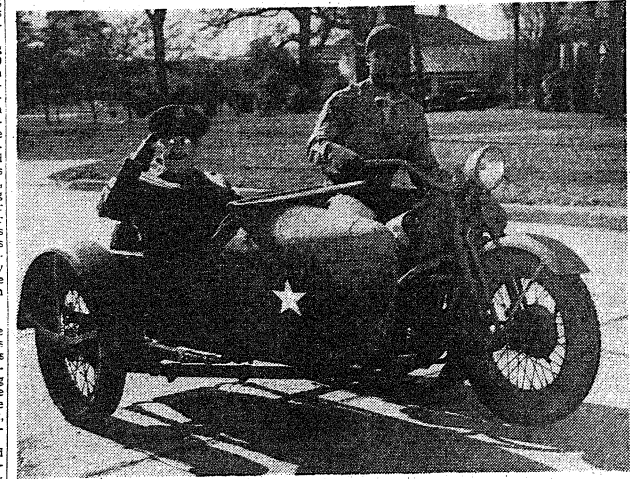
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## Benning Non-Com On First Vessel Through Big Ditch

Sergeant George Heywood, recently promoted to the rank of technical sergeant in the Third Student Training Regiment, was a passenger on the first ship that passed through the Panama Canal in 1914.

He was employed on the construction of the canal. A native of Camaguey, Cuba, Sgt. Heywood has traveled extensively. He attended school in Trinidad, British West Indies and was an interior decorator before entering the Army.

Sgt. Heywood is a veteran of World War I, when he served 18 months, one year of which was overseas. He reenlisted in 1922 and has been with the Third Student Training Regiment since February, last year, serving as mess instructor.



**GENERAL WALTER S. FULTON**, post commander, tries out one of new motorcycles assigned to headquarters. His chauffeur is Cpl. A. W. Southern of Florence, Ala. (Signal Lab Photo.)

## 3 Persons Per Car Riding To Benning Tops U. S. Average

Co-operation of military and civilian personnel of Fort Benning in the share-the-ride program has made the system more successful at this Army post than in other spots in the nation, Fort Benning officials disclosed this week.

Just prior to announcing plans for the registration of all motor vehicles at the post, authorities revealed that results of a recent traffic survey have disclosed the excellent co-operation of personnel riding to work at the post.

Of course, our "pool the ride" plan couldn't function any more tightly yet, and may have to before the restrictions on gasoline are removed, but our survey of vehicle moving in and out of Fort Benning show the local average of riders per car is considerably higher than the national average. Lt. William Ward, assistant provost marshal, told the Benning.

Preliminary estimates resulting from the survey indicated that an average of three persons were riding to and from work at Fort Benning in each car, an average nearly one person a car better than the national average, officials said.

### BUSINESS ONLY

Mileage rationing officials reported that the pleasure-driving restriction on gasoline probably did not effect Fort Benning car owners as much as some of the rest of the nation because all gas granted military personnel at Fort Benning was given for business purposes only, including driving back and forth to work.

Plans for the registration of automobiles for 1943 at Fort Benning were announced by the provost marshal's office today. The 1943 stickers will be available at a price of fifteen cents on and after Feb. 5, 1943, for all drivers having the 1942 registration sticker. All new drivers, however, who have not obtained 1942 stickers, must apply at the provost marshal's office to comply with OPA regulations. A fee of ten cents will be charged for each sticker.

An innovation was also announced by the office. All privately owned bicycles being operated on the reservation are to be registered immediately with the provost marshal's office to comply with OPA regulations. A fee of ten cents will be charged for each sticker.

## TIS Activates Truck Outfit

**World War Veteran Commands New Unit**

Activation of the Provisional Truck Regiment to function as transportation unit for the Infantry School Service Command was announced today by Major George Lewis, adjutant, and Lt. Col. Henry C. Jones, commanding officer of the school.

The new regiment was activated by authority of the Replacement and School Command, Army Ground Forces. Colonel Frank J. Vida, a veteran of World War I, has been named commanding officer. He is adjutant and First Lieutenant Everett Bell is supply officer to round out the Regimental staff.

A personnel has been assembled including both white and colored officers from the Infantry as well as from the Quartermaster Corps.

A variety of vehicles ranging from the tiny jeep to the giant tractor trailer vans is in use by the new regiment.

The organization now is composed of four battalions, broken down into car, van and truck companies. All are commanded by officers expert in latest army methods of large scale transportation. A large recently completed special motor courses at the Infantry School.

In getting together the talented personnel, cadres have been sent to Fort Benning from Infantry Replacement Training from several Regular Army units organizations to form the nucleus of the new regiment. Newly arrived soldiers are receiving general basic training as well as specialized motor training. Within the year of which was the Provisional Truck Regiment will take over the bulk of transportation duties of the Infantry School on a permanent basis.

# O. C. Refuses Nazi Allegiance; Sent to Concentration Camp

## Former Austrian Officer Caught By Anschluss

Refusal to swear allegiance when Germany annexed Austria meant a concentration camp for Officer Candidate Harry R. Graham, 15th company, second Student Training Regiment at Fort Benning, who was then a student at the Klosterneuburg Officer School, the official military school of Austria.

Now an American citizen, Candidate Graham actually has been training for a career as a soldier since he was five years old. He is an English officer, who married an Austrian girl, his parents lived in Vienna after World War I. He enrolled in the Klosterneuburg Officer School at the age of five, under the old Austrian plan of educating mem-

## 10th Armored Sweetie-Pie To Be Named

All you 10th Armored men who've been bragging about that beautiful gal of yours have a chance to show her off.

The Service Club is sponsoring a contest to select the "Sweetheart of the 10th Armored Division" and they want pictures of your favorite gal (or gals).

The photos will be posted on bulletin boards in the Club and winners for each regiment and separate battalion and company will be chosen. Then the contest will be narrowed down until "Miss 10th Armored Division" is selected.

Enter as many pictures as you wish and send them to the Hostess Office at Ft. Benning, where you can see the pictures of your favorite gal (or gals).

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# O. C. WAAC Culminate Romance With Wedding

A romance that started in the spring of 1941 in the Boeing Aircraft plant in Seattle, Wash., culminated in marriage in the Third Student Training Regiment and Infantry School here at Fort Benning recently for Officer Candidate Haven Stewart, Jr. and Auxiliary Mabel Rusten.

Both Auxiliary Rusten and Candidate Stewart are residents of Seattle, the former being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rusten and the latter the son of Mr. and Mrs. Haven S. Stewart.

The couple met in April of 1941 while working together in the Production Unit of the Boeing Aircraft Co. in the assembly lines and riveting machines the romance blossomed only to be cut short when Stewart entered the Army in September of 1942.

Not to be outdone Mabel Rusten enlisted in the WAACs in October where she took a nine-week course in Administration work. Meanwhile Stewart was sent to Camp Robinson for basic training. While there he won his appointment to the Infantry Officer School and came to Fort Benning the latter part of December. About this time Auxiliary Rusten had finished her WAAC training and was assigned to Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Now it's not so far from Texas to Georgia and the pair decided last perhaps they had better get married before the Army separated them more than they were. Auxiliary Rusten received a furlough and came to Columbus, Ga. the next day they were united in the Chapel of the Third Student Training Regiment by Chaplain Adolph Billings. She was the thirteenth WAAC to be married since that organization started.

HE OUTRANKS HER

When the bride said she'd "Love, honor, and obey" her husband, there wasn't any doubt about the "obey" part as she was the rank of a lieutenant and he is a corporal. However that status may change in the next few months as Stewart will remain a corporal until he is promoted to sergeant in the next few months. March and the bride may rise above him before then.

However, if Candidate Stewart completes his three months of rigorous training here in the Infantry School and graduates a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States there isn't any doubt who'll be the boss—at least for the duration and six months.

**KEEP 'EM TUNING!**

**L. J. RADIO SHOP**

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## Norman Rockwell Seeks Material At Ft. Benning

Norman Rockwell, nationally known illustrator, visited Fort Benning early this week to sketch soldiers of the post in various phases of Army training.

Rockwell, who is famed for his "cover" designs on "The Saturday Evening Post" magazine, spent several days here to complete his assignment.

He was the first World War artist to sketch the first World War. Mr. Rockwell was in the Navy

# Woman's Club

By LAURA M. BAILEY

In line with the recent policy of providing outstanding entertainment for the members of the Officer's Club, the Music Group of the Woman's Club will present a program of music on Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 8:30 p. m., in the Main lounge.

The artists who will appear on the program have become popular with the music lovers of Fort Benning through their outstanding musical performances of the past. Mrs. Paul W. Newgarden will announce the program.

The opening numbers will be sung by Mrs. B. F. Willis, mezzo soprano. Her program will consist of "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," "Deep River," "Ain't She a Sweetheart," and "Look Off, Dear Love" by Gladys Burnstead, violin obligato by Mrs. Frederick Harris.

Miss Ruth Beutner, talented concert pianist, will present the "C Minor Prelude" by Chopin and "Scherzo B Flat Minor" by Chopin.

Mrs. Falko Schilling will offer a violin number, "Concerto in E" by Bach.

Mrs. John Spitzer, chairman of the Music group, and talented pianist, will play "Rhapsody in C" by Donsky.

# 33 Officers In Division Raised

Thirteen 10th Armored officers were promoted to captains, this week and twenty second lieutenants were raised to firsts, the public relations office announced this week.

The new captains are: Thomas M. Anthony and Joseph E. Kroschek, chaplains, of the 3rd Armored Regiment, Camillo Epifanio of the 55th Engineers, Stanley Weiner, Arthur Eisberg, William F. Ryerson and Warren B. Haskell of the 54th Infantry, Julius L. Wilcox, William McKenney, Jr., and Keith J. Anderson of the 90th Reconnaissance, William E. Scott of the 11th Armored Regiment and Donald E. Forbes and Carl Hill, Jr., of CC "A."

The newly promoted first lieutenants are: John J. Raymond, Charles A. Gilmore, Jr. and Charles C. Franklin of Division Headquarters, John A. Israelson, John J. Pearce and Robert S. Hauger of the 55th Engineer Battalion, Richard A. Price, Irving Sillins, Howard W. Magnuson, Daniel P. Sullivan, John E. Shelton and Oscar J. Swanson of the 423rd P. A. Bn., Homer R. Jackson of the Maintenance Battalion, Byford F. Long of Div. Headquarters Company, Gilbert G. Golding, Thomas E. Mostyn, Joe P. Robinson, Sidney D. Hilton, Joseph K. Cook and Louis S. Beasley of the 90th Armored Recn. Bn.

WAAC third officer is equivalent to second lieutenant in the Army. WAAC second officer is equivalent to first lieutenant. A first officer is equivalent to a captain.

and sketched much Navy life for publication. Recently, a cover design of a typical Army cook on the front page of The Post, created many laughs among Army personnel.

Mrs. Rockwell is accompanying the famed artist.

**SONG OF THE G.I.**

Fort Benning, GA. (WAACs) Song, comrades we must part yet there is time to offer thanks for giving me my start.

My uniform was barren. No stripes or metal bars. Until you taught me lessons 'neath Georgia's sun and stars.

For ninety weary, endless days for ninety sleepless nights I studied books and learned the way The Benning G.I. fights.

Through jungle swamps and icy brooks of Chappaquiddie College With canteen belt and T.E. pad We trudged in search of knowledge.

A G.I. here, a G.I. there Made O.C. life more fun (But we were glad to face the time When ninety days were done)

It's over now, and I must leave This G.I. institution With hope, that SOMEBODY may find The Benning School solution.

**Fort Benning Calendar**

**Chapels**

Post Chapel: Communion service 8:30 a. m. Men's Bible class 9:30 a. m. Sunday school in the children's school 10:30 a. m. Morning worship 10:30 a. m. "The King of Love My Shepherd" is "Bible, Young People's service 5:30 p. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. John's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Paul's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Luke's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Mark's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Matthew's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. John the Baptist Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Michael's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. George's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Andrew's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Nicholas's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Basil's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Constantine's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Helena's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Thecla's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Euphrosyne's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Symeon's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

St. Irenaeus's Chapel: Morning worship 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m. Communion 9:30 p. m.

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# Food Rationing Inspires War-Time Recipe Book

Army Wives, Girl Scouts Sponsor Volume To 'Keep 'Em Cooking'

A group of practical-minded Fort Benning women are convinced there are a lot of Army wives who would like to know 200 different ways to cook good old rice and they've set about to do something about it.

Not especially about the 200 methods of cooking rice but about getting the word around about the hundred and one economical ways of meeting the war-time economies in the kitchen and still keeping the calories well-balanced.

Mrs. S. N. Boykin, wife of Maj. Boykin of the 2nd Student Training Regiment, is the "editor" elected by the Fort Benning Girl Scout Council to compile the time and food-saving recipes which all housewives have up their culinary sleeves and to issue the recipes in the form of a booklet to be distributed among Fort Benning home-makers-and anyone else interested in war-time economy.

## MRS. BOYKIN'S MINERVA

Mrs. Boykin was elected because she thought of the idea and because collecting special recipes, menus and so forth has been a "special" hobby of hers for many years. Mrs. Boykin, who incidentally is the lady who can cook the rice in so many different ways, has studied economical cooking, recipes and such ever since her childhood and plans to include a scholastic of her own special recipes in the fourth coming cookbook.

"But every housewife today has different 'tricks' of the trade which might benefit some other woman faced with the shortage and actual loss of many ingredients for recipes," Mrs. Boykin pointed out over the week.

"For this reason, we are asking all Fort Benning women to send us their special recipes right away and these will be compiled in the booklet together with their names. We are especially interested in favorite tested food recipes complying with new wartime government rationing," she continued.

The book will be distributed by the Girl Scout Council when it is completed. Which Mrs. Boykin hopes will be around the first of March. Completion of the book, however, will depend on the speed with which the recipes come in to Mrs. Boykin.

Fort Benning women, faced with dire economy, feel certain the proposed book will give a concrete answer to the oft-heard question:

"What's cookin'?"

## Chinese O. C. Seeks Bars

Officer Candidate William Mar, 24 year old American of Chinese parentage, whose parents were both born in China, is a student in the Tenth Company of the First Student Training Regiment. Having sacrificed a life-long ambition to be a flier for a career in the Infantry, he is looking fondly toward the day when he can enter combat duty against the Japs who have brought destruction and suffering to his parents' homeland. Candidate Mar was born in Seattle, Wash. He attended the University of Washington for a time and received some R. O. T. C. training. In 1937 he made a futile effort to enlist in the Chinese Air Force, but government restrictions prohibited this move. In November 1941 his hopes to fly were again shattered when his application for service in the Royal Canadian Air Force was rejected.

He was inducted into the Army on April 28, 1942, at Seattle and was sent to Camp Roberts, Calif. for basic training. While there he attempted to become an Air Corps cadet. He passed physical and mental tests and appeared before the necessary board successfully. He was awaiting assignment to a class in the Air Corps when he requested transfer to the Infantry.

Mar was subsequently interviewed by officer candidate peers and his number one choice, Infantry, was approved. His hope is he can win his bars here and become an officer of the Infantry.

## 38 Soldiers Get Final Papers For Citizenship

Fifty-eight Fort Benning soldiers received their final naturalization papers last week when they appeared before Judge Bascom S. Deaver of the U. S. District court in Columbus.

Only enough Germany with 16 soldiers, had the promotion group. The remaining applicants included representatives from 18 other countries.

"This nation is going through the most critical period in its history and it is depending on you and men like you," said Judge Bascom in administering the oath. Going further he explained that American citizenship involved responsibilities along with acceptance of the privileges. He then congratulated them for already being in uniform and assuming a portion of these responsibilities.

The breakup of the Great Lakes officers, hailed by sports writers as the nation's leading service team, got underway last week when Vic Marino, a guard of Ohio State, and Gene Ball, blocking back of Duquesne, were transferred to a gunnery school at Norfolk, Va.

## With The Civilians

MYRTLE JOINES

The boys at Service Club No. 1 are giving a great big hand to Gwendolyn Bryant, who has just been appointed hostess at their club. We welcome her to Fort Benning and wish her a happy stay.

And while the big welcoming hand is out, let's include Ethel Barnett from Philadelphia and Gene Pirtle from Iowa, who are at the Lawson Field Sub-Depot.

Wedding bells continue to ring on the post, and this time for two swell girls in the Quartermaster's office. Annie Burley, the Commissary, was just married to Jack Helmkin (better known in Columbus as Jackson O'Connell, general radio announcer on WRBL) last week, and Sally Benton to Heyward Newson of the Swift Manufacturing Company. These girls will continue working for the duration, at least.

Don't be surprised if those paratroopers don't start a petition to be sent Col. W. J. Niederprum requesting that his daughter Verne (Record Section, HQ) be allowed to remain at Fort Benning while he is taking a course at the School of Military Government, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

Did you hear about the patrolmen trainees at Lawson Field? Well, there are five of them: John E. Gregory, George B. Shreve, Gilbert, Clyde O. Swims, Louis W. Norton and Albert Howard. I know, I named six, but Clyde Swims is going home, so that leaves five. Mr. Saunders is going, too. These men guard the immediate vicinity of the engineering department of the sub-depot and are under the same rigid control as the military guards.

Here are some transfers at the sub-depot that you should know about. Miss Royal and Mr. Crittenden from the Area Engineer; Mr. Gregory from Huntsboro, and by the way, he is an expert woodworker; Mr. Hutchinson and John E. Turner from the QM. Hutchinson is in the Electrical Dept. and Turner in technical supply department.

Vera Townsend is keeping busy in the Ordnance division while her husband is in the Solomon Islands. You can't keep these Army girls down. They really carry on while their men are away.

Remember the beautiful girl who was pictured in the Bayonet with Sergeant Robt. Templeton of the Identification Bureau? Well, she is married now too. That's the news for lots of our fellows. Knew Asabelle Jenkins, but 1st Lt. Freddie Rusch is the one man in her life now. After a Florida honeymoon they are back on their jobs again. You can bet that couple has our best wishes.

Last, but not least, in any manner of speaking is our welcome to Edith B. Fritz, who came from Birmingham. That's two new girls at the Ordnance office this week.

## Military Police Promote 18 Enlisted Men

Tech 5th Gr. Walter Schwarz of the Corps of Military Police assigned at Fort Benning, has been advanced to sergeant, and 17 other enlisted men of the same organization have been promoted to higher grades, according to an announcement by post headquarters.

Pfc. William D. Bode, Frederick J. Canova, Nelson K. Johnson, Bernard W. Lundrigan, and Calvin A. Merson, made corporal. Pfc. Clyde C. Waggoner was promoted to technician 5th grade. Pfc. Walter P. Brill, Henry J. Eibel, Junior F. Godwin, James I. King, John F. Kiser, Joe J. Leming, Ray J. Long, Stanley D. Madland, Frank K. McArthur, Henry L. Thompson, and Howell W. White, were advanced to private 1st class.

## Eleventh Regiment Promotes Fourteen

Fourteen enlisted men of the 10th Armored Division's 11th Regiment are wearing new chevrons as a result of their recent promotion. The men are: To be first sergeant, Elmer E. Rose. To be staff sergeants: Nicholas Hedlesky and Michael A. Travalante. To be sergeants: Sam E. Steffen, B. Stofsky and Fred M. Boylan. To be corporals: Carl E. Farmer, Albert C. Stewart, Jr., and Vincent W. Stevens. To be technicians 5th grade, Andrew Schiffer, William T. Signis, Merrill E. Nave, John W. Ockenga and Harold E. Clayton.

Holding down the left forward berth on the Greenville Flying School (Miss.) basketball team is Pvt. Vernon Beard, captain and three year veteran of Mississippi State College's espers.



We're Taught To Be Aggressive, But Not That Aggressive!

## Ex-Commandos Describe Rigid Training Program

Two officer candidates at Fort Benning are veterans of the British methods of Commando training.

They are Officer Candidate Edmund J. Barker, and Steven J. Archer, of the 14th company, Second Student Training Regiment, and both were picked from their American division to go to England to train and fight with the Commandos. Now they are training to become officers in the Army of the United States. And the Commando training they received was nothing for weaklings to attempt. A typical day of training in Northern Scotland where the camp was established, consisted of a 10-mile hike in an hour and a half. Several hours of running assault courses, hours of unarmed fighting, and then some calisthenics. All without any breaks, too, they recall.

The assault courses are two-mile affairs, mostly uphill over rugged cliffs, crags, moors and grass lands. And they are constantly beset with combat problems, engaging simulated enemy targets with live ammunition while instructors fire real hot lead into the intervals between the men to teach them the hard way not to bunch up or to expose themselves.

## TRAINING COMPREHENSIVE

The training is completely comprehensive, covering all phases of combat, including street fighting.

## Packaging Studied To Improve Quality Of Overseas Food

One of the reasons for the amazing keeping qualities of Army foods now being provided for troops overseas is the tremendous amount of effort that goes into the study of packaging, according to Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply at Fort Benning.

Most of the research on this problem is done in the Chicago subsistence laboratory of the Quartermaster Corps, where technicians are constantly on the alert to develop new methods of packaging foods that will withstand extreme temperature, humidity, abuse of all kinds in shipping, gases, rain, and other elements.

The first step in developing a new packaging, according to Col. Massey, is to determine the exact requirements. Then special films of paper are tested for their suitability. Trial tests are then run to determine the fitness of the film selected. Many of these tests are held under actual field conditions.

Finally, the laboratory makes its recommendations, on the results of the actual test, and actually that means that the Army has obtained another new type of protection for food. Col. Massey stated that the aim of the Quartermaster Corps is to constantly improve packaging methods so that American soldiers will always have appetizing, wholesome food.

## Lt. Boudreaux Goes To Wheeler

After nearly 15 years service at Fort Benning, First Lt. Henry J. Boudreaux has transferred to Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga. Lt. Boudreaux, who has risen from private to his present position, served for several years as first sergeant of the 1st M. P. detachment. In June 1942, he was commissioned first lieutenant and sent to Provost Marshal Training School Center, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

Upon completion of the course, Boudreaux returned to Benning, becoming commanding officer of the M. P. detachment.

In this position he was responsible for handling many military police problems, such as the checking and directing of all motor traffic on the post.

## 124th Infantry Promotes Two; 11 Assigned

The promotion of two officers in the 124th Infantry Regiment and the assignment of eleven others to the regiment has been announced by Col. John D. Hill, commanding officer of the regiment.

Capt. Louis C. Wadsworth and Capt. Burnice Bell, both of whom served as enlisted men before being commissioned as officers of the Florida National Guard, have been promoted to the rank of major. Major Wadsworth is a former resident of Live Oak, Fla., and Major Bell comes from Bradenton, Fla.

His new officers assigned to the regiment, all second lieutenants, are as follows: Lts. Norris J. Layton, Coopersville, Mich.; Edwin A. Willard, Merchantville, Pa.; James T. Zal-

demolition, sabotage, amphibious, hit-run tactics.

The Commandos have worked out a form of tactics based on a two-man combat team, the two OC's say. Men are encouraged to team up together and maintain the closest sort of comradeship. Then, during combat, they fight together and cover each other during crucial actions.

When the American Ranger Battalions were launched, the United States Army command worked with the British command to become officers in the Army of the United States. And the Commando training they received was nothing for weaklings to attempt.

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## Candidates Lead Nurses With Slogan 'Follow Me'

### 'Bayonet' Artist Is Top-Notcher

In Officer Candidate Mel Casson the First Student Training Regiment boasts one of the ten top-notch cartoonists of the nation.

O. C. Casson was, before his induction into the Army, a regular contributor to such magazines as Esquire, Liberty, Click, This Week, the New York Times and innumerable other domestic and foreign periodicals. His talent was given official recognition when he was unanimously elected secretary of the American Society of Magazine Cartoonists.

The artist was born in Boston in July, 1920. He went to New York, where he spent four years polishing up his natural talent at art school. Despite success in his chosen field, Mel still treasures in his heart the thrill that came with his first letter of acceptance.

"My hair stood straight up on end and my heart did the 'thumpa in double time' is the description he gives of this auspicious occasion. Since that memorable date he has gained international fame by dint of long hours and hard work.

One of his sketches is reproduced in this issue of the BAYONET, a cartoon which he drew especially for this publication.

### Major Thompson Is Lt. Colonel

Major Charles Thompson, instructor in the weapons section of the Infantry School, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel, it has been announced at Fort Benning.

Col. Thompson before being called into active duty, December, 1940, was an instructor at Evanson, Wyoming. He has served at Fort Warren in Wyoming and Camp Walters, Texas. He came to Fort Benning in March, 1942.

on, Burlington, Iowa; Francis Joseph Haskell, Monterey Park, Cal.; Conrad D. Philis, Chicago, Ill.; John Lloyd Ledgerwood, Omaha, Neb.; Thomas Hardy Whalen, St. Louis, Mo.; Cornelius B. Holloway, Indianapolis, Ind.; Victor Bragaw, Long Hill, Conn.; Sam R. Haley, Terrell, Tex.; and Orren Beatty, Jr., Las Cruces, N. M.

"Follow Me" was put into rhythm by the Tenth Company. First Student Training Regiment officer candidates. Dancing to the music of the Twenty-Ninth Infantry orchestra, 200 officer candidates and their student nurse guests celebrated the Yuletide season Thursday night at the Polo Hunt Club.

The dancing program was highlighted with the talents of several Tenth Company radio and theatrical personalities. "Truth and Consequence" a skit written by John Johansson, Hollywood actor-producer and M. C.'s by George Hansen, radio actor, topped the entertainment bill. Program participants were selected from the assembled O. C.'s and their guests.

The evenings festivities were concluded with the traditional Grand March after which the guests were presented with military crest vanity cases.

Col. A. C. Blaine, battalion commander, Capt. Merton B. Tice, commander of the 10th company, Chaplain Pinkard, Lt. Murray Stern, Lt. John Van Epps, Lt. John Crabbe, Lt. Ernest Bell and Lt. Chas. White were guests of the evening. The dance committee consisted of Lt. John Morley, chairman Candidate Johansson, student chairman, and Candidates Hansen, Mills, Sandstrom, Ficus, Mathewson, and Joslyn committee.

## AWE Service Organized As Aid To Army Wives

Wives of enlisted men and officer candidates may utilize the facilities of the Army Wives Employment Service, newly organized agency operated free of charge by the Columbus Junior Chamber of Commerce.

At present there are more vacancies listed than applicants to fill them. There are openings for stenographers, sales girls, waitresses, and children's nurses in business firms, offices, and homes of Columbus.

Interested persons should apply at the agencies office at radio station WRBL, 1420 Second ave. Phone 3-1473.

Men stationed at the Cavalry Replacement Training Center, Ft. Riley, Kan., will be given the opportunity to take boxing lessons from the highest paid mitt thrower in the world-Joe Louis. Officials have announced that Sgt. Joe Louis Barrow will be in charge of a program of boxing instruction to be made available to all interested military personnel.

## W. D. Civilian Pay Increased

### Employees To Get Overtime In Excess Of 40-Hour Week

Retrospective to Dec. 1, 1942, civilian employees of the War Department will receive time and one half for all over a 40-hour week, according to an announcement at Post headquarters.

Those affected will be required to work a minimum of 8 hours a day, and 48 hours a week, except those paid on mileage and one half for those duties are intermittent or irregular. Only in case of emergency will overtime be required, and civilian will not be paid for this work unless it is specifically authorized in advance by their commanding officer.

It will then be computed at the rate of one and one half times regular pay up to salaries of \$2,900. Above that amount it will still be figured on a basic sum of \$2,900 per year. In no instance will the gross income exceed \$208.33 semi-monthly, or \$5,000 a year.

Overtime for December will be paid to eligible employees. However, proper authentication will be necessary, showing the extra work was done and the authority.

Under the new bill, employees absent without pay are warned of a deduction for these periods equal to their regular salary rate plus overtime. Absences with pay will not affect payment of extra hour compensations. In addition leave which cannot be taken during one year because of the existing emergency, will be allowed to accumulate.

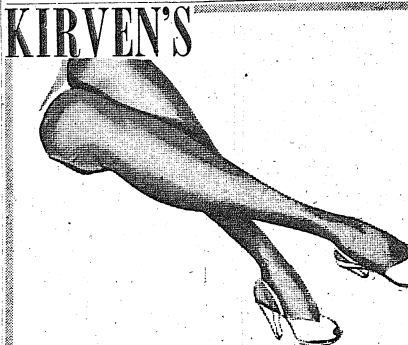
## Tiger Battlers Go Into Action Next Monday

With the 10th Armored boxing team's Tiger battlers will start hammering away in earnest Monday night when the inter-battalion boxing matches officially begin.

Every battalion in the division will be represented with the teams shooting for both the battalion championship and individual title crowns.

Each round of competition, except the first, will have a point value for the winner. As the fight advances from one round he picks up points for his team and at the same time draws nearer the individual championship. Winning battlers in the second round will net a total of 100 for his battalion team, quarter finals 200 points, semi-finals 300 points and 400 points for the winners of the finals.

Suitable awards will be given to both the winning teams and the individual champions.



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# Benning Walt Winchell Now on Overseas Duty

General Harding  
Once Served  
In Infantry School

A major general on duty in command of American troops overseas only a few years had the jocular title of "the Walter Winchell of Fort Benning" according to an article in the current issue of the New Yorker.

In sketching the life of Maj. Gen. Edwin Forrest Harding, the New Yorker article told of General Harding's work on the staff of the Fort Benning Infantry School.

After relating his early military experiences after his graduation from West Point Military Academy, the New Yorker then said to submit the former Fort Benning officer:

"American Army officers do not usually spend more than a few consecutive years in foreign service and accordingly in 1927, Major Harding sailed back, from China after turning over his battalion to Joseph W. Silwell, then a major."

## MINOR TACTICS

"After a leave of a few months, Major Harding was finally ordered to the Infantry School at Fort Benning and then to the General Staff School at Leavenworth. Upon graduating from there, he was assigned to the Infantry School as chief of the military history and publications section."

"Among the publications his section got out was a textbook called 'Infantry in Battle' which it took a small army of authors and editors three years to produce and which was devoted to the presentation of examples, discussions and analyses of minor tactics."

"George C. Marshall, then a lieutenant general who had turned from China the same year as Harding and had become assistant commander of the Infantry School at Fort Benning, approved Harding's suggestion that the book should be based on actual combat experiences. . . . In addition to getting out publications of a rather solemn nature, Major Harding operated ex-cathedra as the conductor of a frivolous column in the post newspaper, which earned him the title of the Walter Winchell of Fort Benning."

Many officers and men who have been at Fort Benning for several years will recall the era in which General Marshall and General Harding were at Fort Benning.

## World War Vet Seeks Commission; Won Purple Heart

Just because he was a private in World War I hasn't deterred Candidate First Lt. W. Barnes of the 11th Infantry Company. First Student Training Regiment from endeavoring to be an officer in World War II. It is his distinction to be one of the World War Veterans in the Infantry Officer-Candidate School.

The candidate was assigned to the Fourth Division, 39th Infantry, Combat Intelligence, as a scout and sniper and took part in the Allied offensives at Chateau Thierry, Meuse-Argonne, Verdun, and Velle. He was awarded the Purple Heart after being bayoneted at Chateau Thierry. In addition to this wound, he was gassed twice. After serving in France for a year, he returned to America in 1918 as a casualty.

Candidate Barnes, 44 and the father of two boys, left his home in Alexandria, Ind., last February to do his hitch in the military. "I hope this is the last time we'll have to beat them. One should have been enough."

## A Peep At The Pics

Another one of those shows we all like to see in order to tell the people sitting next to us what is going to happen next, is "Wrecking Crew" . . . With Chesler Morris and Robin Hood, the leading male roles, it can be assured that plenty of action will take place. . . . And take place it does. . . . The plot revolves around the usual story of wrecking crews, their fights, women, and action. . . . It all ends with the man who has worked half his life to attain something, throwing all way in order to save the life of a friend. Go see it but please don't sit next to me.

Well, here we go again with another of those great thrillers from the west. . . . In his picture, "Red River," Tim Holt not only ruins forever the beautiful dreams I've always had of Robin Hood but also presents the comic book name of "Mr. Justice." There isn't much that can be said in favor of this show. If this is the type of show you like, please don't let me keep you from it, but don't say I didn't warn you.

Once before I told you the story of "Casablanca," but that was a long time ago. So here it comes again. . . . The unusual part of the entire production was the timing. . . . Publicity on the pic was released about a week before the announcement by the government that our troops had landed in North Africa near the city of Casablanca. . . . Not so very long ago to this city. . . . Refugees seeking transportation to America. . . . At that time it was in the hands of Vichy France and supposedly the worst thing the Nazi could do to harm the people seeking escape. . . . This is the story of "Casablanca" which was shot in Morocco. . . . Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, Paul Hendrick, Claude Rains, Conrad Veidt, Peter Lorre, Sidney Greenstreet, S. Z. Sakall, and many others help make this one of the outstanding cast pictures of the year.

"Commander" Strike At Dawn" is the story of the Norwegian people and their fight for freedom from under the heel of the Nazi boot. . . . This show stands out from the others because it welcomes back to the screen one of the real old-timers of the silent days. This is her first film since 1934, when she left the screen for the stage. . . . To tell the story of the pic, is to give the entire thing away. But there is something that can be told. . . . When Director John Farrow tried to pick up one of his helmets borrowed from a Canadian Command unit, it was warned not to touch a certain portion of the helmet. . . . Later, regulations call for a part of the brim to be sharpened to a razor edge. If a Commando loses all his other armament, he simply takes his hat off to the Nazis and starts swinging. So if a Commando takes his hat off to the Nazis, he is flattered. Just start running.

PT. WORTH, Tex.—(CNS)—Overheard inside a powder room in a night club here was the remark, "Dearie, he's wonderful—P with a B card and a C note."

When a tourniquet is tight enough to stop the bleeding, tie the stick in place with another bandage.

Johnny Risko, the ex-Cleveland Baker Boy and Rubber Man, one of the most feared of all heavyweights, is attached to the 464th C. A. at Camp Davis, N. C.



## 'Chutist Wins' Biggest Battle In Making His First Jump

A paratrooper's first jump made at Fort Benning Parachute School was described by Capt. Arthur W. Ferguson as the "hardest battle of my life—but worth it. . . . and it landed me with the sweetest group of men and officers in the world."

Writing to Col. Clark Williams, his sponsor at the Citadel, South Carolina Military College, Captain Ferguson, of Macon, gave a detailed account of the "jitters" that strike most trainees just before the first leap into "thin air. . . . A copy of his letter was received by former Mayor Herbert Smart of Macon and released through the Associated Press.

On the Fort Benning field, awaiting his turn, Ferguson "sweated" his first leap, claiming nothing about his parachute harness "seemed right," in his anxiety.

## NOTHING RIGHT

"I adjusted my harness time and again," he wrote. "I asked several of my fellow officers if theirs fitted but they were also having difficulty. . . . I examined theirs and they examined mine but still we weren't satisfied. We were experiencing the so-called 'wrestling' it out every paratrooper feels before his first jump."

After smoking numerous cigarettes and visiting the latrine, cooler a dozen times, Captain Ferguson said he concentrated on the fact that the percentage of casualties had been small. . . . "We sat on a bench three hours (45 minutes by the clock) while we watched the planes fly over the field, throttle down, unload their 'passengers' and 'mushrooms' float down. Why wouldn't my heart stay in its right place—it was always in my throat—and what I wouldn't give for another drink of water."

Two groups of 12 men each were assigned to the plane from the field. When Ferguson was the last man in his group to leave the plane, he said the door of the plane seemed miles and miles away. . . . "Suddenly I was number three man; number two man pivoted, he's in the door, he's gone—there he is right foot down. I was the last man in his group to leave the plane. I was gone—into space. I fell for centuries. I forgot to count, then. I thought, 'something should happen now. Crash—a ton of bricks fell on my head—no pain—I was suspended 1,000 feet above the ground—too

weak to do anything but hang there—but I was happy. EVERYTHING QUIET. "Everything was quiet, just like it is when snow is falling on a cold winter night. It was beautiful, silent and still. No excitement, no thrill can ever compare with it. I had no sensation of falling whatever. Just suspended. . . . Then suddenly the ground rose up and seemed to almost hit me in the face—it was right there before I knew it. I didn't do anything. I was taught but made an old football tumble which was second nature and the natural thing for me to do. I stood up, then collapsed to my knees from weakness and joy that I was alive and still. No injury. Then the perspiration began to flow and I was drenched in one minute's time. . . . "Of the record, Colonel, I fought the hardest battle in my life; I conquered fear because nothing but will power drove me through that door. But it was worth it and I'm with the sweetest group of men and officers in the world."

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## TIS Regiment Nears Perfect Insurance Mark

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By Break-Throughs

Enlisted personnel of the 117th Infantry Regiment who draw dependency allowances have scored a near-perfect record in purchasing National Service Life Insurance in response to an "all out" campaign launched by regimental officers to encourage the men to invest in the insurance.

Colonel Grant A. Schlieker, commanding officer of the Regiment, disclosed today that more than 1,500 enlisted men in the regiment who draw dependency allowances from the government have each purchased at least a \$5,000 policy of National Service Life Insurance.

"Only eleven men who draw allowances do not have insurance yet," Col. Schlieker said. "However, these eleven men have not been contacted yet. We expect to have a 100 per cent record when men are told of the value of insurance."

## AVERAGE POLICY \$7,500

Of the 1,500 troops with dependents who invest in insurance, each has at least a \$5,000 policy, Col. Schlieker said that the average policy is about \$7,500.

Shortly a concerted drive will be made to encourage all men in the regiment to take out insurance. Col. Schlieker stated that with insurance officers in each company, each soldier is contacted individually and told of the advantages of the insurance which is available to soldiers at a low premium.

One insurance officer in the regiment, Col. Schlieker recalled, was an insurance salesman in civilian life. Col. Schlieker said, "pointed out that he certainly wished he could have sold such tidy amounts in one evening work as a civilian and reap the commissions."

## Yule Mail Rush 'Post' Mortem Has Drole Angle

Now that the ache in the postman's union has begun to subside, a humorous story or two are forthcoming from the metes known as the Christmas rush.

The First Student Training Regiment's Fourth Company has a mail clerk who collects tales regarding public mayhem of the daily address. His most recent specimen was bagged in the Casual Detachment's orderly room: "A friend of mine in this detachment was beating his gums about a letter he had received from a civilian admirer. He had written several notes to the named party and placed on each his return address in abbreviated form. Then came a letter of inquiry wanting to know what he was doing in a 'casual' ditch. "Brrrrrrr, it's tough on us guys some of the time but, just as this mail feller says, even a ditch has its advantages at times."

Before stacking arms, ranks are opened.

## Lawson Bombsight

By CPL. E. N. FUSILLO  
That the soldiers who leave Lawson Field for technical or officer candidate schools rank high was again shown when two of the soldiers who recently attended the Airplane Mechanics School at Keesler Field, Miss., were in the first five out of a class of over a thousand.

Sgt. Robert L. Rhodes, who is now assigned to test inspection was second in the class, and averaged 94.5 for the sixteen-week course. Sgt. Rhodes received a diploma "with distinction."

Pfc. John Van Grouw who is assigned to base engineering was fourth in the class, averaging 93.4, and received a diploma "with distinction."

Three other soldiers from the Field attended the school. They are Sgts. Paul G. Schert, Stanley Geecevic, Alert Grant, and Cpl. Edward Chinn, base engineering. The soldiers who went to the school are members of the 54th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron commanded by Major George W. Gorman.

## GUNNERY SCHOOL

At the Harlingen Army Gunnery School, Tex., Lawson Field's aerial gunnery candidates are also proving their worth. Sgts. William G. Lileinthal, Jr., Heath Staton, Ernest Phillips and Otis W. Simpson left the 7th Observation Squadron to attend this school.

Assigned to the Third Training Squadron at HAGS, Sgts. Staton and Lileinthal were among the top of their class in aerial gunnery. Lileinthal is the current fleet champion of his unit, having scored the greatest number of bulls eyes during training and is considered by his classmates a definite threat to any enemy crew.

While at Harlingen, the "gunners" appeared in the motion picture "Aerial Gunners" filmed there with Chester Morris and Richard Arlen.

## NEW FIELD OFFICERS

The following flying sergeants of the 5th Troop Carrier Squadron have been appointed Flight Officers: Staff Sgts. R. N. Perez, L. J. Scrivener, C. L. Grams, Hemphill, J. A. Oppreight, R. T. Worthington and W. A. Pouncey.

The marriage of Flight Officer R. T. Worthington of the 5th Troop Carrier Squadron to Miss Doris Carlson of Hobart, Indiana, took place here at "the Chapel on the Hill." Flight Officer and Mrs. J. A. Scrivener were the attendants for the bride and groom.

Chaplain Floyd S. Smith of the 54th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron performed the ceremony.

## STANDING INVITATION

If Pfc. Edward Wozniak of 4th Comm., and New York, ever does get back to New York, he will proceed directly to the famed Stork Club. It seems that "Wozy" read a magazine article about Sherman Billingsley, a mortuary proprietor of the Stork. He was so intrigued, he wrote to Mr. Billingsley, reporting that he hoped

to visit the Gay White Way some day and if it were possible, he'd like to compare the cafe society with that in Baker Village. Oddly enough, Mr. Billingsley welcomed the idea. He dispatched a printed invitation to "Wozy," to be his personal guest. First Sgt. T. I. Burke is placing the invitation "on file."

## OF PUBLICITY 'BOUNDS'

There is as much rivalry between officers who own dogs as there is between the Army and Navy. They say it is good natured fun. . . . but they also say that every dog is entitled to one and that's just what they want.

Capt. William J. James, Operations Officer of the 7th Observation Squadron at Lawson Field, owns a little black cocker spaniel who almost always will answer to the name of Roger. Lt. Wallace E. Grubbs, Provost Marshal of Lawson Field, has a dog named Roger-step. He was of unknown breed, having arrived with a cadre and settled down to a comfortable life in Armentau quarters.

Roger-step first made the front pages when he went AWOL and was reported seen on 42nd street, heading for the Fort of Embarcadero. Letter word was received that he was overseas. But this turned out to be a canine rumor. For Roger-step turned up at OCS in Miami.

Capt. James accused Roger-step of being a cheap publicity hound and felt that while Roger was on the Field observing all that took place within sight or hearing and keeping an eye on all government property he should be top man in the dog circle in the Field.

Oh, yes. . . . the feud grew and if the soldiers don't love the sailors and the sailors don't love the marines and the marines don't love the Air Corps. . . . then you ought to follow the feud between Roger and Roger-step.

Statistics show that after 25 years of faithful and undisputed gustatory service to American fighting men, the humble doughnut is now meeting friendly but severe competition from "bottomless" USO cookie jars.

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## TRIO PROMOTED

Three officers were recently promoted to a higher rank in the First STR. They are 1st Lt. Curtis J. Ivey to the grade of captain; 2nd Lt. Rex H. Blankenship and Eugene H. Cavin to the rank of 1st lieutenants.

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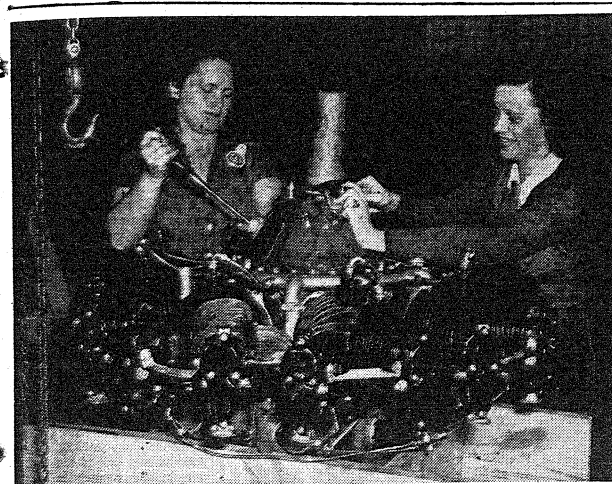
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**DAILY DUTIES** of Mrs. Mary J. Vogal (left) and Miss Hazel M. Taylor include repairing and checking airplane engines and parts. They are both employed as mechanics at Lawson field sub-depot. (Signal lab. photo by Kormeyer.)

## Girls Do Manual Labor While Hubbies Fight Foe

100 Women Working at Lawson As Riveters, Mechanics, Welders

While their husbands and sweethearts are off to war, approximately 100 women at Lawson Field Sub-Depot are helping to win the battles on the home front.

Employed as trainees, they are undertaking jobs in riveting, mechanics, sheet metal work, welding, fabric and leather repair, and parachute packing. Those who show aptitude are sent to various trade schools at government expense and paid as they learn. Upon completion of these courses they return to the sub-depot, relieving men for army duty, and replacing those already gone.

At present these 100 women are working side by side with men, and competing very successfully in a previously uncontested masculine field. According to Major W. H. Choppin, sub-depot commander, "The women employed in positions requiring skilled laborers have proven highly successful. As a matter of fact they are more enthusiastic than men, and seem to bear up under the physical strain comparable to the best. Furthermore, our ladies are not afraid to get their hands and face dirty."

### SERVE WHERE NEEDED

When asked if women working

## Four Rookies and Mess Sergeant High Scorers

There were six pistol teams on the line at the Tenth Armored's Pistol Range for the rapid fire and dueling competition held last week.

That in itself was not unusual, since every pistol meet up to this time has had at least that many teams.

However, if anyone had taken the time to investigate the past history of the team members, they would have noticed one outstanding feature concerning the group from Maintenance Company, Tenth Armored Regiment.

The company roster reads something like this:

Sgt. Nick Robb—mess sergeant.  
T-4 Bernie K. Wallace—recruit.  
Pvt. Herbert B. Bolan—recruit.  
Pvt. John D. Haigh—recruit.  
Pvt. Eugene D. King—recruit.

Two weeks ago, three of these men had never held a pistol, yet they came through with the company's high score of 10 points.

**FAST WORK**

This fact bears testimony to the high pressure training now being administered to the Tenth Armored "Tigers."

Company D, Eleventh Armored Regiment, kept their pistols warm by means of rapid firing, making some tight groups and coming up with a score of eight points after the dueling was over.

On Company D's team were men whose names are familiar by this time to all followers of "Tiger" pistol matches—Sgt. Joe Kinney, Sgt. Winston A. Heath, Sgt. Joseph F. Kalouski, Sgt. Edgar D. Knight and T-5 James Schipper.

Company E, Third Armored Regiment came out on the top side of their match with seven points. Team members were: First Sgt. Alvin Martinez, T-4 Amos E. Darnforth, T-3 Chester S. Polittowski, Pvt. William G. Trepass and Pvt. Harold E. Swinning.

Winning teams were awarded framed photographs of the team to organization day rooms, a copy of the photo and a two day pass for each team member.

### Carrier

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of war. In the various paratroop organizations, two men in each communications section now are being trained as expert pigeon handlers. Special equipment has been designed, some of it by Lt. Lehman working with Army experts from Washington, to allow pigeons to be dropped from airplanes over beleaguered troops so that they can send back messages.

**SPECIALIZED JOB**

Raising and training pigeons is a highly specialized job as that of raising and training race horses, Lt. Lehman declares. The birds are as high strung and ner-

## U. S. Moves To Restrict Overseas Mail

Drastic restrictions on the shipment of packages, magazines, and newspapers to soldiers overseas were contained in postal regulations received by Superintendent R. P. Richardson of the Fort Benning branch of the Columbus post office today.

Beginning January 15 no more packages for foreign shipment will be accepted unless the item has been specifically requested by the soldier, and the request approved by his commanding officer. This is due to the enormous amount of space used to transport packages, and its need for other purposes.

In order to send approved packages, the request with the commanding officer's approval must be presented at the post office. Even then weight must not exceed five pounds, and the bundle may not be more than 16 inches in length. Newspapers and magazines may be sent only if the soldier is a regular subscriber to the publisher. Absolutely no circular material will be forwarded through Army post office addresses.

**LETTERS OKAY**

Letters from the fighting man's family and friends will continue to be received, and will always be welcome, added Mr. Richardson. Airmail letters, however, will be handled as such only within continental United States to ports of embarkation. Further air transmittal will depend on facilities and space. Normally V-mail, will be the only airmail to troops overseas. Going into more detail, Mr. Richardson said that mail for overseas delivery could not be insured, and that valuable papers were the only articles which would be registered. Senders were cautioned against enclosing cash money and were advised to use money orders.

He said the new regulations had been adopted because a recent War Department survey revealed cargo space equivalent to three 11,000 ton Liberty ships was used to transport mail overseas in November. Quoting Secretary of War Stimson, Mr. Richardson said, "With the steady expansion of our forces overseas, this presents a problem of pressing and ever-growing importance. If the volume continued to increase at the present rate, we would need 25 ships of 11,000 tons just to carry mail by the end of this year."

## Specialist Claims Poor Care As Cause Of "Athlete's Foot"

Improper care of the feet, rather than contagion, appears to be the chief cause for athlete's foot, the skin disability that causes so much discomfort to the nation's armies, according to results of a lengthy study made at Fort Benning by Dr. J. C. Hopkins, specialist and expert of the Medical School of Columbia University.

Dr. Hopkins has been investigating causes and methods of treatment of the disease since August 15, and has treated more than 700 men of the 28th Regiment for this and for other types of skin ailments in making his studies.

The ailment is one of those wherein an ounce of prevention is worth many pounds of cure, his studies show, since in many cases a thorough care may be a matter of many months.

The best advice he can offer is to keep the feet dry and thoroughly clean in order to prevent this ailment, he said. "The disease once contracted may linger on the skin for some time and discomfort has passed. It is especially desirable not to discontinue treatment too soon."

His findings will be passed on to all units of the Army.

**Motorcycles**

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and fuel through elimination of waste.

Consumption of both electricity and natural gas, as well as other fuels, has increased tremendously with the growth of the Fort and all efforts are being made to reduce fuel consumption of all sorts as well as rubber. Inspectors are to determine whether lights are being used unnecessarily, whether they are burning in vacant buildings or partially occupied structures, what machines are operating when unnecessary and what unauthorized installation may have been made on machines or lights. At the end of the month, a report will be made by the office of Col. Arthur J. Bain, post engineer, to General Fulton on the consumption of fuel and current used during January.

**USO**

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job," he said. "We hate very much to see a man go, but realize he has accepted because he feels it is his duty, and have accepted his resignation with regret."

**Pool**

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cents per machine will be assessed for the registration.

The provost marshal's office has application blanks for Georgia state license plates on hand for drivers interested in obtaining plates. The Fort Benning office, however, will handle only the application blanks this year.

If you are a prisoner of war, never discuss anything about your organization's activities. An agent may be planted in the group or microphones may be hidden to pick up such information.

A WAAC three-striper is known as a "Leader." That's equivalent to the rank of sergeant in the Army.

Col. Richard McKee heads 300th Infantry

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through the ranks until he was commissioned in 1927. He commanded a rifle company, battalion headquarters company, and was named Regimental S-2 of the 124th in 1940.

He was promoted to captain in early 1941, and left Camp Blanding with the 124th to go on the Louisiana and Carolina maneuvers. After the 124th came to Benning as a demonstration regiment, Col. Long was made Regimental S-3, and promoted to major in April, 1942. He came to the 300th as executive officer in December, and shortly afterward was promoted to lieutenant colonel.

awkwardly will have their fly-

gear rattled or perhaps even damaged," he said. "This means they will land someplace to rearrange their feathers and to locate themselves, and if they do that, they can easily be shot. All paratroopers, and all officers and all airplane pilots should learn how to release the birds properly. It may mean saving their own lives or even the saving of an entire command when in combat."

BOMBERS CARRY BIRDS

Bombers flying out from England now carry two birds each, so great is their intuition that even when they have been flown hundreds of miles over strange territory, they can orient themselves and make their way back to their home lots.

In England the sport of raising pigeons has gone on for hundreds of years and there were 250,000 breeders and fanciers when the war broke out. They all offered their services immediately and in a small country like England, and they established a record of returning with 96 per cent of all messages sent out.

In actual tests, the birds have flown 1,500 miles, and can easily cover 600 miles in a day. In actual practice, however, the Army tries not to use them more than two or three hundred miles, because the return of a bird, even without a message, can only mean that the ship is in distress and the approximate position of such a ship is known at all times so that rescue can be effected.

It is Lt. Lehman's ambition to have every man going through training, and especially those going through Officer Candidate School, at Fort Benning, to learn how to handle a pigeon and to release it properly.

"The birds are highly specialized creatures and if released



**COL. STEPHEN B. MASSEY**, Fort Benning's director of supply, is shown as he presented a Silver Star to an employee of the Eagle and Phenix Mills in Columbus on Tuesday afternoon. The post supply chief was the principal speaker at a program in the mill-yard which honored 611 workers who have relatives in the armed services. During his talk, Col. Massey told the workers of the important role which they are playing in the war effort, and urged them to practice materials to the maximum. He also related the uses to which the Army is putting the products of their mill, chief of which is herringbone twill now being used in all fatigue suits. Standing behind Col. Massey is Frank B. Bradley, vice-president of the mill.

## Service Chaplain Combines Common Sense, Psychiatry, 'Answer Box'

Post Seminars Look To Mental Health Of The American Soldier

Mix a little applied psychiatry and the knack of talking "man to man" with plenty of common sense, and the ability to answer any and all questions and you have what it takes to successfully converted from a civilian clergyman to an Army chaplain.

That's the formula of one veteran Army chaplain at Fort Benning, Lt. Col. Frank N. Thompson, post chaplain and a man of God who has spent a quarter of a century as spiritual advisor to service men. Following a three-day seminar for Army chaplains and nurses held at Fort Benning last week for the purpose of determining the right answers to new problems facing service chaplains, Colonel Thompson and Dr. Ralph B. Bonacker, chaplain of the New York State Training School for Boys at Warwick, N. Y., were unanimous in their declaration of the new problems facing Army chaplains.

The growing trend within the church to use the advancing knowledge of human personality—psychiatry—coupled with the fact that an Army chaplain must concern himself more with individuals in the service than in civilian ministry were points developed by the two men.

**ARMY'S MENTAL HEALTH**

"The Army today is much concerned with the mental health of the men in the service and to this end Army psychiatrists are constantly engaged in healing the mentally disturbed and fitting them in their respective duties," Colonel Thompson pointed out, adding that in this connection the Army is recognizing the value of the Department of Health and Religion now operating under the General Commission of the Army and Navy Chaplains.

"Army chaplains," he continued, "are confronted with problems quite different from those experienced as a pastor in a civilian community. Day and night the chaplain is besieged by men for services. They want the answer for the conscientious objector, the man who is afraid to fight, the one who is homesick, the moral pervert and a thousand other questions."

Dr. Bonacker, who is also the supervisor of theological students at Warwick, had this to say on the difference in work between the Army and a civilian clergyman:

"Two movements have merged to give us at least one answer to the problem, suffering above. The one force has been the realization among Army chaplains themselves that their ministry is to the soldiers under their care was more concerned with individuals than was true in their civilian ministries."

**APPLIED PSYCHIATRY**

"The other movement which has in some measure helped to meet the needs of this increased pastoral response has been the growing trend within the church to utilize the advancing knowledge of human personality given to us by the comparatively new science of psychiatry. More and more young clergymen are getting in this field through what is most commonly called 'clinical training.' This training usually involves several months residence in an institution where the study of personality, character, its structure and its functions, can be most beneficially made."

This training is usually given to the supervisor of an ordained clergyman who has specialized in such problems and is greatly aided by the cooperation of other professional groups, psychiatrists, doctors, nurses, social workers, psychologists, teachers and others."

**FEW ARE TRAINED**

Concluding, Colonel Thompson said that "as yet only a small proportion of the clergy are receiving adequate training in that field. It is to fill this gap, which is possibly more acutely felt among Army chaplains among civilian clergy, that trained men are being sent into Army camps to lead seminars on such subjects as pastoral counseling and ministry to the sick and dying."

"It comes as a tremendous shock to many of the lads who were lifted out of their peaceful pur-

suits and put in a war-time Army. Time and patience is needed to adjust them to the new way of life. Many need wise counseling and the chaplain is in a position to render this service, provided he is proficient in the fine art of counseling."

Orders were received yesterday countermanning previous instructions which would have sent Col. J. P. Edgerly, executive officer at Fort Benning to another station, it was announced at post headquarters.

Under his new orders to remain here, Colonel Edgerly will continue his assignment as executive officer.

Col. Edgerly Will Remain At Benning

During the Christmas holidays, the Callaway Mills of LaGrange, Georgia, gave a party for 100 men of Division Headquarters Company. After their arrival home, a letter of thanks was sent to the officials of the Callaway Mills for their hospitality and recently Captain C. F. Meinzinger, company commander, received the following letter:

Dear Captain Meinzinger: You and your men were "POPS" and it was the folks in LaGrange that had a good time. No finer group of gentlemen were ever entertained in LaGrange, and we are glad that we could have a little part in assisting your men to enjoy Christmas.

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## Lawson Fliers Die In Crash

Plane Cracks Up On Training Flight

First Lieut. Edward Humphries, 22, Rochester, N. Y., and Tech. Sgt. Thomas Kirkman, 26, Leakesville, N. C., died Tuesday afternoon when their plane crashed in the Shell Creek area of Harmony Church. The fliers had taken off from Lawson Field on a routine training flight.

A board of officers has been named to investigate the crash. An explanation of the cause of the crash was not immediately available as both men in the plane were almost instantly killed.

Lieutenant Humphries, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Humphries of Rochester, spent two years at the University of Michigan and received his wings in April, 1942. He was almost immediately assigned to Lawson Field.

Sergeant Kirkman, whose wife resides in Baker Village, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kirkman of Leakesville. Sergeant Kirkman enlisted in the army on Jan. 11, 1936, and came to Fort Benning on Feb. 1, 1942.

Parents of both of the men have been notified.

## Division's Hq. Co. Men Termed 'Tops'

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# Dispensary 'A' Medicos Strive To Keep Soldiers In Tip-Top Health

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The health of Fort Benning troops is of paramount importance and much of the work, the planning and the decisions affecting this health emanates from an unpretentious building known as Dispensary A.

To thousands of officers and men at Fort Benning, Dispensary A is the place to go on sick call or for physical examinations of treatment. Few realize that concentrated in the modest two-story building and its sprawling wooden annex are hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of medical equipment and professional men representing an equal amount of highly skilled medical talent.

Most important office located in Dispensary A is that of the post surgeon, Col. William Denton, responsible for the health of every officer and man stationed on the huge military reservation. Stemming from the office of Colonel Denton are the string of clinics that control the main hospital work; the operations of all of the various clinics and dispensaries located on the post and in nearby Columbus, and the work of all of the hundreds of medical officers serving with America's fighting men at Fort Benning.

**MEDICAL INSPECTOR**  
Another vitally important function housed in the main building of Dispensary A is the office of the medical inspector, Maj. James A. Loveless, whose staff has been responsible for the successful fight against venereal disease in the area surrounding Fort Benning.

Working out of offices in Dispensary A is a third important medical officer, Col. Melville A. Sanderson, post dental surgeon, who supervises the work of keeping soldiers' teeth in A-1 condition all of the time. Administrative work, however, is only one of the tasks of the medical men of Dispensary A. In the main building is a sick call clinic for officers and their families and a completely equipped dental clinic as well as a small pharmacy where dispensing medicines and drugs prescribed by physicians on duty at the clinic. There are other administrative offices located in the building because under the jurisdiction of the medical staff.

## 10th Armored Units Stage First Mortar Competition

Swinging sharply around a bend in the narrow road, the leading elements of the advance guard were suddenly met with a hail of fire from several 88 mm guns. Suddenly the vehicles carrying the mortar squads plunged off the road into a well-degraded position in a gully near a grassy hillside. As the riflemen rushed out to secure the flanks, the squads were already dismounting and setting the mortars in position. In a matter of minutes the targets had been pointed out, mortars set up, and the first parcel of high explosive and jagged steel was lobbed out over the heads of the enemy, each member of the squad working with clock-like precision.

That was the scene witnessed by many of the senior officers of the 10th Armored Division at its first mortar competition held last Monday. CO. "C" OF 54TH LEADS Company C, 54th Armored Infantry Regiment, won the 60 mm. mortar to fire a score of 72, the day's highest.

Company B, 90th Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, followed with a score of 48, also with the 60 mm. mortar, to win their match with Co. H of the 54th Armored Infantry. Headquarters Company, 2nd Bn., 11th Armored Regiment, was close behind with 44 points, using the 81 mm. mortars.

**GREAT REALISM**  
In spite of the fact that the tactical situation was entirely imaginary, the squads went to their work with the greatest realism, taking full advantage of cover and concealment and practicing the lessons learned in classrooms and on the drill field.

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Scores were based on technique and effect on the target. 30 points for technique and 70 points for effect on the target. Each squad was allotted five rounds with which to destroy their target.

Under technique the following factors were considered: cover for vehicles, individual cover, explanation of the situation by the squad leader, fire order, loading and firing, target bracketing, time involved and position chosen.

Unfortunately, one of the best adjustments, by Company H, 54th Infantry, was not on the correct target and therefore did not draw full credit.

**WINNING SQUAD MEMBERS**  
Squad members from Co. C, 54th Infantry, were Sgts. School, squad leader; Swartzmiller, gunner; McCarthy, assistant gunner; Potts, Benson, first ammunition carrier; Day, second ammunition carrier; Cpl. Noren, driver and Pvt. Erickson.

Company B, 90th Reconnaissance Battalion, was represented by Sgts. Morrison and Kowalsky, Pfc. Jordan and Pvt. Cockran.

From HQ Co., 2nd Bn., 11th Armored Regt., were Sgts. Lowe and Lindsey, and Cpls. Greer and Silve.

Prizes to winning squads were framed photographs of the squads for the organization day rooms, a copy of the photo for each member of the squad and a two day pass for all.

It is optional with a serviceman as to whether he takes the life insurance offered by the government. He may take out the insurance within 120 days of his induction without a medical exam.

## Walter Cook, Jr., To Graduate From West Point

Among graduates of the United States Military Academy at West Point next week will be Cadet Walter H. Cook, Jr., son of Captain and Mrs. W. H. Cook of Fort Benning. It was announced today from the Academy.

Captain Cook is commanding officer of the Supply Detachment at Fort Benning. Cadet Cook was appointed to the Military Academy from the Regular Army at Fort McPherson, At West Point, he was director of the Catholic Choir, a member of the Pointer staff, Honor committee, Glee club and Concert orchestra. He is to be commissioned in the Coast Artillery.

## 68 Promoted In Hospital Unit

Sixty-eight enlisted men of the 24th General Hospital have been promoted to higher grades, according to an announcement by post headquarters.

Staff Sgt. William A. Seaman made technical sergeant, and Sgts. Ben. Z. Frankel, Charles T. McManus, Francis J. O'Reilly, and William V. Pacione, were advanced to staff sergeant. Tech 4th Gr. Herbert Berger and Alfonso J. Diaballo were promoted to technician 3rd grade.

Cpls. Charles C. Ciano and James E. Richards, and Tech 5th Gr. Rudolph J. Pilchick made sergeant. Tech 5th Gr. Oscar Bobinger, Thomas Compagnetti, Marvin Iverson, Robert W. Morgall, Robert Patterson, Norbert Rust, Rudolph Smolka, John Wagner, and Pvt. Louis Royal, Jr., were promoted to technician 4th grade.

**NEW CORPORALS**  
Pfc. Edward Blair, Jr., Stanley Burzinski, Manuel Chavez, Everett Dill, Ernest Facello, William Saat, and Pfc. Remo Berni, Patrick Bucavacoli, Dale Edwards, Patrick Gallagher, Julie Kerschman, Robert Powell and Fredrick Velten, were advanced to corporal.

Pfc. F. D. Bagen, W. H. Brocker, T. B. Eubanks, G. S. Fallon, F. L. Flaughner, F. S. Galloro, R. N. Haas, Jr., H. E. Hug, P. Keane, W. T. Kovalchik, V. Muscarella, A. F. Notarianni, W. J. O'Neill, L. D. Pflaumer, J. W. Pflaumer, P. Walsh, W. H. Webster, and Pfc. H. Schroedl, F. Ammermann, L. W. Baker, E. J. Coppola, H. D. Duggan, J. W. Duggan, J. D. Herthy, S. H. Parks, F. W. Lapitz, A. Liberty, E. L. Margetis, J. S. MacMahon, R. A. Metcalf, Pizzano, H. H. Powell, C. R. Ritzman, H. L. Sincum, and J. W. Soehner were promoted to technician 5th grade.

## Post Hq. Officials Laud Efficiency Of Record Clerk

"Let's check the record" is a sentence heard a hundred and one time a day at post headquarters and other important offices. The records section is one of the most efficient record clerks in the Army.

He is Tech Sgt. Louis E. Lucas, recently appointed non-commissioned officer in charge of the records section at post headquarters. A former resident of Calera, Ala., Sgt. Lucas previously had served in a similar capacity with the 7th Corps Area at San Jose, Calif., and with the 4th Division.

Sgt. Lucas has been commended by high-ranking Army officers as one of the best record clerks in the service today and his work at Fort Benning has been praised by Lt. Col. J. D. Rosenberg, Jr., post adjutant.

When captured and questioned by the enemy do not give the name and number of your organization.

formed to fight in North Africa. This will make Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower supreme commander of two allied armies, the other being the British first army, commanded in the field by British Lt. Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson.

**OUTLOOK FAVORABLE**  
From Secretary Simson comes word that on all fronts the outlook is "favorable." He pointed out, however, that the Germans and Japanese have suffered only a few major reversals and are still fighting strongly against underestimating their offensive capabilities.

NOT SO many years ago, most of the rubber used in America came from Brazil. Better facilities developed in the East Indies and Asia, however, for getting rubber to market plus development of rubber plantations, practically nullified the Brazilian sources.

Now word comes from Brazil that plans are underfoot there to move 50,000 workers hundreds of miles into the wilds of the Amazon to double Brazil's rubber production.

but after this period another medical exam is necessary. It is offered as a matter of good business and sound protection to the serviceman and his dependents.

An honorable discharge as a soldier in World War I is indicated by a bronze button, with a star and "U. S." in center of star, and a laurel wreath entwined about the star. If the star is silver, it denotes "wounded in action."

Fort Benning's Reception Center chorus, directed by Corporal Willis Brown, has been voted the post's outstanding chorus. Composed of about 25 members, the chorus has appeared at many entertainments on the reservation as well as in Columbus. Cpl. Brown is shown above as he directs a group of the singers at a rehearsal (U. S. Army Sig. Corps Photo.)

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Sgt. and Mrs. Ted B. Darrough, boy, Dec. 28, 1st Academic Co. S-Sgt. and Mrs. L. W. Cavanaugh, girl, Dec. 29, Dispensary "A".

1st Lt. and Mrs. Edwin Wholey, boy, Dec. 29, 25th Co., 3rd Student Training Regt.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. Robert C. Byers, boy, Dec. 29, 29th Infantry, Corp. and Mrs. Joseph R. Sosa, boy, Dec. 30, 10th Bn., 505th Parachute Tng. Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. John McCormick, boy, Dec. 30, 82nd Rec Bn., APO 292, Fort Bragg, N. C. Sgt. and Mrs. James A. Tucker, girl, Dec. 30, 802nd Field Artillery Bn.

Corp. and Mrs. Wilmer F. DeLoach, girl, Dec. 30, Co. "B", 76th Tank Bn.

1st Sgt. and Mrs. Darwin Pelt, girl, Dec. 31, Co. "C", 124th Infantry.

Pvt. and Mrs. Daniel Booth, boy, Dec. 31, 802nd Field Artillery.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. William R. Wright, girl, Dec. 31, Co. "F", 1SSC.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Charles E. Estess, girl, Dec. 31, Co. "E", 29th Infantry.

Capt. and Mrs. Frederick W. Branstad, boy, Jan. 1, Hq., 21st Q. M. Regt.

Capt. and Mrs. Robert D. Montgomery, boy, Jan. 1, Co. "K", 300th Infantry.

Pvt. and Mrs. Thornton Powell, girl, Jan. 2, Hq., 1st Bn., 506th Parachute Infantry.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Thomas F. Simons, boy, Jan. 2, Hq., 29th Infantry.

Corporal and Mrs. Chas. W. Morga, boy, Jan. 2, Supply Bn., 10th Armored Division.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Cecil M. Walker, girl, Jan. 3, 7th Obsn. Sq., Lawson Field.

Captain and Mrs. Lorin C. Bishop, girl, Jan. 3, 1SSC, Academic Regt.

Pvt. and Mrs. Jessie W. McCullar, girl, Jan. 3, Hq. Supply Bn., 2nd Armored Division.

Capt. and Mrs. Peter J. Newton, girl, Jan. 4, 6th Co., 3rd Student Training Regt.

Major and Mrs. Arthur A. Maloney, boy, Jan. 4, 507th Parachute Infantry.

Sgt. and Mrs. John Hill, girl, Jan. 5, Co. "C", 11th Armored Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. Delilah Easterling, boy, Jan. 5, Det. Quartermaster.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Edward R. White, boy, Jan. 6, Reception Center.

Sgt. and Mrs. John V. Dyer, girl, Jan. 6, Medical Detachment, Station Hospital.

1st Lt. and Mrs. William B. Malone, boy, Jan. 7, Station Complement.

## Enemy Spies Can Retire On This One

Major H. W. Brown of the Academic Department of The Infantry School this week received the first letter in two months from his brother, Pfc. William Brown, A. P. O. 941, Seattle, Wash.

This is the letter: "Can't write a thing the censor is to blame, Can't say I'm well and sign my name."

Can't say where we sailed from, Can't mention the date, Can't even number the meals that I ate.

Can't say where we're going, Don't know where we'll land, Can't inform you if met by band.

Couldn't mention the weather, Can't say if there's rain, All military secrets must remain.

Can't have a flashlight to guide me at night, Can't smoke a cigarette except when out of sight.

Can't keep a diary for such is a sin, Can't keep the envelope you send your letters in, Can't say for sure, folks, what I can write.

So I call this my letter and close, Good Night.

A lemon-colored bar with pin stripes at each end denotes that the soldier wearing it was in active service before Pearl Harbor.

Dec. 8, 1941. A small star on the bar denotes that the wearer has been in one of the major engagements—Bataan, Corregidor, Coral Sea, or Midway Island battle.

An allotment is a part of the service pay of a member of the armed forces, which has been designated to be deducted from his pay and paid to another designated person, as a dependent, etc.

**Winners**  
Two prizes are awarded this week by the BAYONET to contributors to the post paper. First prize for a poem entitled "Your Job" is given to Pvt. Harry Ornd.

1st Engineer Co. (LP), Lawson Field. In addition to the title goes two dollars to Pvt. Ornd.

Lt. Charles Sweeney is the recipient of top prize for his cartoon "Review Those Personal Affairs," which urges soldiers to get their personal business in shape.

Lt. Sweeney also wins two dollars. This week's winners as well as past winners are urged to visit the Post Public Relations Office, Post Headquarters, and claim their money.

In the event of your capture by the enemy, remain silent to all questions except those regarding your name, rank and serial number.

## New Alligator Officer Checks In From Iceland

Holloway Reports Pretty Blondes And Red-Heads

Watching a destroyer slash right through a U-boat in the cold rough stretches of the North Atlantic was nothing compared to the thrill of stepping off a transport plane onto good solid American earth, in the opinion of Second Lieutenant Cornelius E. Holloway, just assigned to the 124th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning.

Occasion for the thrilling experiences was a trip to Iceland where he was stationed for many months, and occasion for the greatest thrill was his return to come to Fort Benning.

Each day brings new thrills to Lieut. Holloway—as for instance reading today's news in today's newspapers and seeing there a few little things that Americans take for granted.

"Iceland is a country of windswept valleys and sheer, desolate peaks, with a highly developed blowing to bend down the great crops of hay and whip around the thousands of sheep flocking on the slopes."

Most of the soldiers who go to Iceland, however, are impressed and more than surprised by the pretty blonde and red-haired girls who are influenced by American styles and customs through having seen so many American movies.

**ICELANDER PROUD**  
Iceland, he found, is very proud of its government, a highly developed democracy dating back to 1200 A. D. The Icelandic himself is very proud of his country, too, and he believes that there is a possibility that the United States could be very beautiful.

Except for the wind, the climate is surprisingly mild, January is the coldest month, with the year with a low mean temperature just a bit below freezing.

No matter what the weather, however, American soldiers there receive intensive training. The training schedule is welcomed by the men, for without it the monotony of life on the island would become depressing. There is little activity in the towns for the soldiers, he found, but the Red Cross has done a splendid job in catering to the needs of the men. Receiving of mail from the folks back home is the greatest morale maintainer of anything on the day's docket, he found.

The deductible allotment made by the serviceman for dependents is compulsory in class A (a wife and child) but in class B (parents, brother, sister or grandchild) it is voluntary. That is, a parent, brother, sister or grandchild may be given an allowance only if you agree to the deduction from your pay for this purpose.

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**Ten Enlisted Men Promoted By Gators**  
Ten enlisted men in the 124th Infantry were promoted this week according to an announcement by Col. John D. Hill, regimental commander.

Promoted to sergeant were corporals Henry F. Brand of Jacksonville, Fla.; Lawton P. Allen, of Homestead, Fla.; and Kenneth E. Gregory of Miami, Florida.

Five privates first class were raised to corporals: Theodor Clarence E. Baumker and Ernest Bergandi of Ft. Pierce, Florida; Robert F. Fargel of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Clement L. Hall of Jacksonville, Florida; and Henry B. Renk of Trenton, New Jersey.

Privates first class Arthur S. Olcott, of Jacksonville, Florida; and James R. Andrews, of Greenville, Florida, were made technicians fifth grade.

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